

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the final Office Action of July 1, 2008. Reexamination, reconsideration, and allowance of the application and all presently pending claims are respectfully requested.

Upon entry of this paper, claims 1-5 and 10-16 remain pending in this application. The specification and claims 1 and 11 are directly amended herein, and claims 6, 7, 17, and 18 are cancelled via the amendments set forth herein. It is believed that the foregoing amendments add no new matter to the present application. In addition, the amendments to the specification correct for recently discovered typographical errors, and it is believed that the amendments to the claims comply with the Examiner's requests, suggestions, and/or requirements. Further, it is believed that the amendments set forth herein will not require a new search by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116.

Response to Claim Objections

Claims 1-5 and 10-16 are objected to for allegedly containing an informality. Claims 1 and 11 have been amended herein to expand the term "HSM" as requested by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicant requests that the objections to claims 1-5 and 10-16 be withdrawn.

Response to §112 Rejections

Claims 1-5 and 10-16 presently stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. Claims 1 and 11 have been amended herein thereby mooting the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests

that the rejections of claims 1-5 and 10-16 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests that all outstanding objections and rejections be withdrawn and that this application and all presently pending claims be allowed to issue. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding Applicant's response, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone Applicant's undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

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